Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 22 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 23 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 22 Apr 2023 at 01:25

Confidence: High for overall trend towards changeable conditions, but lower confidence in rain and shower detail through the weekend.

Headline for Saturday 22 Apr 2023: A mixture of sunny spells and isolated showers this afternoon, after a cloudy start. Lighter winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 22 Apr 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	30%	10%	30%	80%

Forecast for Saturday 22 Apr 2023

Weather: Cloudy and generally dry at first, with low cloud and mist, this gradually lifting and breaking to give way to bright or sunny spells by late morning. The clouds will bubble up this afternoon to bring isolated heavy showers. Any showers die away later this afternoon. This evening cloud and mostly light rain is likely to spread north, although there is some uncertainty in the extent of rain. Over the highest summits the rain may turn to sleet.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% first thing, increasing to 60% generally, but lowering at times in any showers and after dark.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud, with bases down to 300-500m at first, lifting to above the summits by mid-morning. Probably lowering to 500m this evening with the rain. Visibility generally good or very good below the cloud, although decreasing moderate with the rain and only near-by hills visible. With the hill fog visibility will be poor.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	4/5 S	7/10 SW	10/14 SW	11/16 SW	8/11 W	9/12 S	11/14 S
600	4/5 S	7/10 SW	9/14 SW	9/13 W	7/10 W	6/8 SW	6/10 S
300	2/4 S	5/10 SW	7/13 SW	6/11 W	5/8 NW	4/6 W	4/6 SW
Valley	2/4 S	5/9 SW	7/12 W	5/10 W	5/8 NW	4/6 SW	3/6 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	2/0	3/-0	4/0	4/0	3/0	2/-2	2/-3
600	4/2	5/2	6/3	6/4	5/3	4/2	3/1
300	6/5	7/6	8/7	9/7	8/6	6/5	5/4
Valley	7/6	8/7	10/8	10/9	9/8	7/6	7/6
Freezing Level*	1200m	1100m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1200m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Despite lighter winds compared to Friday, it will continue to feel rather chilly on the summits. Therefore, extra layers are advised for spending any length of time walking or hiking on the summits.

Forecast for Sunday 23 Apr 2023

Weather: Some uncertainty in the precipitation details for Sunday. However, it looks set to be a cloudy start with outbreaks of rain likely at times, this perhaps falling as sleet over the highest summits overnight. Through the afternoon there is a risk of the rain becoming locally heavy, or showery in nature but still locally heavy, with southern areas perhaps most at risk.

Maximum wind: South to southeasterly 10mph at first, becoming northwesterly 15-20mph, with occasional gusts up to 30mph during the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% chance at first, improving to 60% chance in the afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Low cloud at first, with bases down to 500m, before lifting to above the summits. Poor visibility at first, improving to become good or very good, with distant hills visible. Reducing to moderate or poor in rain or showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2 Celsius, becoming Plus 12 Celsius.
At 800m: 0 Celsius, becoming Plus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: Near the summit.

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